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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the above-mentioned application as follows:

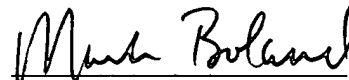
IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 17, line 22, delete "economical" and insert --time-lapse--.

REMARKS

Applicants submit no questions of new matter should arise and entry is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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